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Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
 Application No. 08/752,032; Filed: November 19, 1996
 For: **Use of a Baculovirus to Express an Exogenous Gene in a Mammalian Cell**
 Inventor: Frederick M. Boyce
 Our Ref: 0609.4970003/EEF/TAC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Status Inquiry letter; and
2. One (1) return postcard.

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